would give a big boost to sport across the country and raise the standard of Indian sports to international level. Those managing sports activities in the country including the President of the National Olympic Committee do not have any sports background whatsoever and this explains the reasons for the mismanagement of sports in the country. In this regard, I would like to say that the matters concerning sports should be taken up for discussion ... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI SURYA NARAYAN YADAV (Saharasa): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the House towards the plight of the poor in this sprawling metropolis of Delhi. About one or one and a half months back some labourers from Bihar were doing the work of loading and unloading at the Railway Cement Shedding at Shadurbasti, and were staying in the nearby Jhuggi clusters. Some personnel from the C.R.P.F. and Delhi Police set on fire their Juggis and made away with their household items. I wrote letters in this regard to both the Hon. Prime Minister and the hon. Minister of Home Affairs, but no action has been taken on it so far. The Hindi daily 'Rashtriya Sahara' and another monthly magazine have published complete details about this gory incident. The Government has neither taken any legal action against the culprits not has it initiated any relief work. I urge the hon. Prime Minister and the hon. Minister of Home Affairs to take stringent action against the guilty officials and provide relief to the hapless labourers...(*Interruptions*)

[*English*]

SHRI RUPCHAND PAL: Sir, the jute mills strike in West Bengal is entering the 44th day today. When the Members of Parliament had gone and met the Prime Minister, he had given an assurance that you do everything and intervene to settle the dispute between the workers and the jute mills. The West Bengal Government has done everything still no settlement could be arrived at. More than two lakh workers in West Bengal are suffering. It is an important industry. It is a very important foreign exchange earner but the Government of India has not done anything in spite of their assurance.(*Interruptions*)

SHRI SUDARSAN RAY CHAUDHURY (Serampare): Sir, I went to the Prime Minister myself in the middle of January. I asked for his intervention. The Prime Minister assured me as well as Mr. Gurudas Dasgupta, Member of Rajya Sabha that within two or three days, the matter will be look into. You first try to locate Mr. Ashok Gehlot and necessary steps will be taken. Unfortunately, 44 days have gone by but nothing has come out. (*Interruptions*) Shri Hannan Mollah has raised the matter in the Question Hour. The jute industry is an important foreign exchange earner industry. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (Bankura): You direct the Textiles Minister to made a statement on this or you allow a Calling Attention on this. It is a serious matter. Their lives are at stake. The Government should come out with a statement.

At this Stage, Shri Sudarshan Ray Chaudhuri and some other hon. Members came and stood on the Floor near the Table

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Does the rule permit that the Minister should respond on the spot? It is impossible. You can bring this matter on the Floor of the House either under Calling Attention or under some other rule. Then the Government will take action. But you cannot expect the Government to respond on the spot. Kindly resume your seats.